



Bruce A. DeTora

March 9, 2017

Bruce Albert DeTora, 69, of Tolland, CT, passed away on Thursday, March 9, 2017 with his sister Alice and his nephew Adam and wife Liz by his side. He was born in Stafford Springs, CT, son of the late Dr. Albert and Dorothy (Warner) DeTora. A 1970 graduate of Harvard University, Bruce was an All-Time Letterwinner on the Harvard soccer team, relishing the Harvard/Brown rivalry when he played against his older brother Mark. Bruce retired from his position as Chief Financial Officer at the University of Connecticut in 2008 with 34 years of state service. He was an avid sports fan, including his favorites, the New York Yankees, Boston Celtics, and UConn Women's Basketball, a voracious reader and a life-time soccer player, and could be seen daily walking the back roads of Tolland and Ellington. He is survived by his sister, Linda Huntington of New York, NY and Falkner Evans; his brother, Mark DeTora of West Palm Beach, FLA and his children, Tracy DeTora and Steve Wright, Michelle DeTora and Mike Cameron, Kerry DeTora and Chris Leavey, and Anthony DeTora; his brother, Dr. Kenneth DeTora and Dr. Nancy DeTora of Auburn, MA and their children, Lisa DeTora and Mike Goodchild, Dr. Michael and Dr. Andra DeTora, Dr. Adam DeTora and Dr. Liz Yu, and Ben DeTora; his sister, Alice DeTora of Sterling, CT and Gary Reynolds; his beloved grandnieces and grandnephew, Mabel, Gemma, Alice and Lucy Wright, Iris Cameron, and Bruce YuHan DeTora; and his second family Reka, John, John Michael and Liam Wrynn. Calling hours will be held on Sunday, March 12, 2017 from 2-4 P.M. at Introvigne Funeral Home, Inc., 51 East Main St., Stafford Springs, CT. Burial will take place privately. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Bruce A. DeTora Fund, Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of Stafford, c/o Rose Roszczewski, P.O. Box 25, Stafford Springs, CT 06076, or to the Husky Annual Scholarship, Funding Memory of Bruce A. DeTora, The UConn Foundation, Inc., 2390 Alumni Drive, Unit 3206, Storrs, CT 06269. For online condolences or directions, please visit: www.introvignefuneralhome.com

Events

MAR **Visitation** 02:00PM - 04:00PM

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Introvigne Funeral Home, Inc.

51 East Main St., Stafford Springs, CT, US, 06076

Comments



“ To Bruce's family and friends, such a testament from so many who worked with Bruce and who befriended him all these years. It was so great to see him at our 50th class reunion and he definitely had a good time. Thoughts and prayers are with you.
Sandy Baxter Emhoff



John and Sandy Emhoff - March 11, 2017 at 06:07 PM



“ I am very saddened to hear of Bruce's passing. I had the pleasure of working with Bruce at UConn. Bruce had a zest for life and a special energy that was contagious. He had the ability to see the bottom line of any situation. He was honest with integrity in his business dealings, but did not lack a big sense of humor...! His father brought me into this world and was my doctor growing up.

My heartfelt sympathy goes out to his family, especially his second family of Reka, John, John Michael and Liam.

The world was a better place having Bruce in it. He will be missed.

Kim White

Kim White - March 11, 2017 at 03:23 PM



“ Amazing I've been away from Stafford Springs for SO long....Bruce was just a little guy when his sister Linda and I were good friends and reading buddies. Wonderful family!

Liz (Elizabeth, also known as Betty in my youth) Sartori. Condolences to his family and friends,
Garland, Utah

Liz Elizabeth Sartori - March 11, 2017 at 01:14 PM



“ 15 files added to the tribute wall



Reka Wrynn - March 11, 2017 at 12:01 PM



“ It was very sad to see that Bruce has died. I worked with him at Manchester Community College in the early days, 1975 or so. I think this was his first employment that wasn't directly soccer related. He was so sweet to work with and always respectful and professional, but with a sense of humor. My condolences to his family and dear friends.

Candy Tatro

Candice Tatro - March 11, 2017 at 11:23 AM



“ Bruce was a special guy that had many special gifts. And if you knew Bruce you know what I mean. His family should know that he touched many people that you don't know. I was a soccer teammate and player with Bruce over the years. His passion for the game and those he played with was honorable. I will miss him.

I'm sorry for your loss, Vern

Vern Badger - March 20, 2017 at 12:37 PM



“ With love, The Turner's purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Bruce A. DeTora.



With love, The Turner's - March 11, 2017 at 10:50 AM



“ the dorsi family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Bruce A. DeTora.



the dorsi family - March 11, 2017 at 07:33 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Bruce. So sorry for your loss. Donna Lester Potwin.

Donna Lester Potwin - March 11, 2017 at 07:25 AM



“ My deepest condolences go out to the DeTora family. My his spirit bring joy and happiness to God's children in heaven.

George Murray - March 11, 2017 at 06:32 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Bruce A. DeTora.



March 10, 2017 at 11:37 PM



“ I am deeply saddened to learn of Bruce's passing. I worked with Bruce at UConn. He was a good man, leader, and human being. I loved watching him interact with children. I would see him go out running on his lunch break, all around the campus. My thoughts and prayers are with Bruce's family, friends and Reka and family. Rest in peace Bruce.

Darlene Reviczky - March 10, 2017 at 08:27 PM



“ I would like extend my sincerest condolences to Bruce's family and friends. I had the pleasure of working with Bruce for many years at UConn. He was by far one of the nicest, fairest and approachable people in F&A. He had a great wit, sense of humor and the ability to make everyone feel important.

John Fanelli - March 10, 2017 at 07:48 PM



“ with love, Reka, John, John Michael & Liam Wrynn purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Bruce A. DeTora.



with love, Reka, John, John Michael & Liam Wrynn - March 10, 2017 at 06:14 PM



“ Cynthia Panciera Kroeger lit a candle in memory of Bruce A. DeTora



Cynthia Panciera Kroeger - March 10, 2017 at 05:49 PM



“ Peter Ference lit a candle in memory of Bruce A. DeTora



Peter Ference - March 10, 2017 at 05:23 PM



“ My condolences to Bruce's family. His dad was my physician when I was living in Stafford, and he used to come to our home for Italian specialties and conversation. Our mothers were good friends, and all of us kids had a lot of fun together.

Joanne Panciera Mitchell

Joanne P Mitchell - March 11, 2017 at 10:15 AM



“ I worked with Bruce in the late 70's in an innovative program, based at Mohegan Community College to help develop community service providers. I just loved this man; he could solve any problem and did so with such wit and humor. He always brought a smile to my face and was willing to listen to my stories from the field with compassion. I've always thought of Bruce as a delightful financial wizard and SDS activist.

My condolences to Bruce's friends and family . . .

Sandra LaJeunesse

Sandra LaJeunesse - March 12, 2017 at 08:49 AM